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COUNCIL OF STATES

The following Bills were introduced in the Council of States on the 16th February, 1954:—

Bill No. III of 1954

A Bill further to amend the Control of Shipping Act, 1947.

Be it enacted by Parliament as follows:—

1. Short title.—This Act may be called the Control of Shipping (Amendment) Act, 1954.

2. Amendment of section 1, Act XXVI of 1947.—In sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Control of Shipping Act, 1947 (XXVI of 1947), for the figures “1954”, the figures “1956” shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Control of Shipping Act, 1947 (XXVI of 1947), will cease to be in force on the 31st day of March, 1954. The Act provides for the control of coastal shipping through a system of licensing and for certain other ancillary matters. It ensures that the available tonnage is used to the best advantage of the country and helps in the implementation of Government's policy of coastal reservation for Indian shipping. It is essential that the existing arrangements should be continued, pending revision and consolidation of the laws relating to merchant shipping which in view of its magnitude is taking more time than expected. It is accordingly proposed to extend the life of the Act for a further period of two years.

O. V. ALAGESAN.

NEW DELHI;

The 8th February, 1954.

Bill No. IV of 1954.

A Bill further to amend the Abducted Persons (Recovery and Restoration) Act, 1949.

BE it enacted by Parliament as follows:—

1. Short title.—This Act may be called the Abducted Persons (Recovery and Restoration) Amendment Act, 1954.

2. Amendment of section 1, Act LXV of 1949.—In sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Abducted Persons (Recovery and Restoration) Act, 1949 (LXV of 1949), for the words and figures “28th day of February, 1954”, the words and figures “31st day of May, 1955” shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Abducted Persons (Recovery and Restoration) Act, 1949, under the provisions of which persons abducted during the disturbances of 1947 are being recovered, is due to expire on the 28th February, 1954.

As there are still a large number of such persons to be recovered, it is considered necessary to continue the work of recovery for sometime more. The present Bill, therefore, seeks to extend the life of the Act up to the 31st May, 1955.

ANIL K. CHANDA.

NEW DELHI;

The 15th February, 1954.

S. N. MUKERJEE, Secy.